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Department of Defense  
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Dear Mr. Sproull:

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ADVANCED RESEARCH PROJECTS AGENCY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301

12 JAN 1965

Mr. Otto E. Guthe  
Assistant Director  
Office of Research and Reports  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Guthe:

The Advanced Research Projects Agency has requested the Geological Survey to prepare classified atlases of a number of potential underground nuclear test sites in the U.S.S.R. Because the project is considered to be of high national importance, we are requesting the support of the Central Intelligence Agency in providing the Geological Survey with available source material, up to and including SECRET, pertinent to this atlas effort.

Source materials would include classified data on mines, caves, oilfields, culture, and climate in the areas of interest. The necessary arrangements for transfer or loan of classified data can be made between Dr. Verne C. Fryklund, Jr., of the Geological Survey and a designated member of your organization.

Sincerely, -

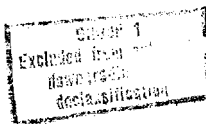
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R. L. Sproull  
Director

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## GEOGRAPHIC RESEARCH ACTIVITY NOTICE

TO:	<del>CHIEF, GEOGRAPHIC RESEARCH, OBI</del> DIRECTOR OF BASIC INTELLIGENCE		
THROUGH:	CHIEF, GEOGRAPHY DIVISION, <del>XXX</del> OBI		
FROM:	CHIEF, USSR BRANCH		
SUBJECT:	GEOGRAPHIC RESEARCH ACTIVITY NOTICE		
1. SUBJECT			
Peoples and Their Activity Patterns in Ulan-Ude Area.			
2. PROBLEM			
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3. NAME OF REQUESTER		4. NAME OF ANALYST	
Dr. Stanley Rubey, Advanced Research Projects Agency, DoD		GD/BI <del>XXX</del> ANALYST GD/S Staff	
5. COORDINATION WITH OTHER OFFICES			
6. DUE DATE		7. PROJECT NUMBER	
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8. REMARKS:			
On 15 February 1966, Dr. Rubey, Chief of the On-Site Inspection Branch of ARPA, at a meeting with [REDACTED] requested that GD/S prepare for each atlas area an ethnological supplement covering ethnic groups and their activity patterns. The studies would be used in ARPA programming of gaming exercises on the area concerned.			
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## REQUEST FOR PROJECT APPROVAL

TO :	CHIEF, GEOGRAPHIC RESEARCH, ORR ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, ORR DIRECTOR OF BASIC INTELLIGENCE	DATE 28 Feb. 1966
FROM :	CHIEF, GEOGRAPHY DIVISION, ORR OBI	
SUBJECT:	REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF PROJECT NUMBER 64-2281	

## 1. SUBJECT OF PROPOSED PROJECT

Support to ARPA Atlas Program

## 2. STATEMENT OF PROBLEM

To provide physical and cultural detail on a number of potential underground nuclear test sites in the USSR. These are areas for which classified atlases are being prepared for ARPA by MGB/USGS.

3. NAME OF REQUESTER R. L. Sproull, Director Advanced Research Projects Agency, DoD	4. RESPONSIBLE D/GG ANALYST GD/S staff	5. BRANCH USSR Branch
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## 6. COORDINATION REQUESTED FROM (Specify)

A. OTHER GRA DIVISIONS

B. OTHER CIA COMPONENTS

C. OUTSIDE CIA

## 7. ESTIMATED MAN-HOURS IN D/GG

## 8. TARGET DATE FOR ISSUANCE

## 9. TYPE OF D/GG PUBLICATION

## 10. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR DISTRIBUTION OF FINISHED REPORT

11. REMARKS: A letter on 12 January 1965 from the Director of ARPA to the AD/RR requested assistance in provision of physical and cultural detail for the ARPA atlas program. To date assistance has been limited to providing pertinent source materials to MGB/USGS. However, in Feb. 1966, Dr. Rubey of ARPA made an oral request that GD/S prepare ethnological supplements for the atlases.

APPROVED:

CHIEF, GEOGRAPHIC RESEARCH

DATE

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, ORR

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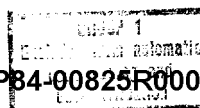
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3. NAME OF REQUESTER Dr. Stanley Rubey, Advanced Research Projects Agency, Dept. of Defense

4. NAME OF D/GG ANALYST

G.D/S staff

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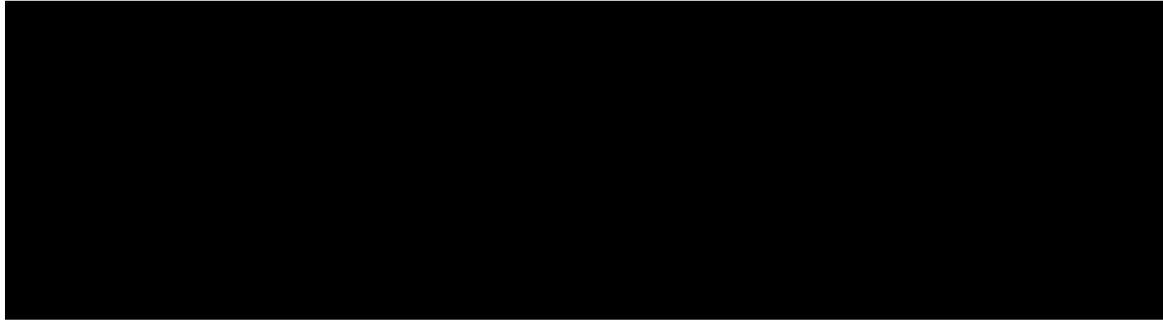
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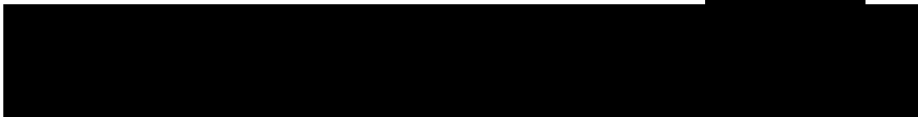
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Accompanying the study are the following three maps, each with acetate overlays.

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